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TURKEY

The take-over of US installations has been completed with only minor incidents that were due in large part to the confusion of Turkish authorities over how to proceed.

[redacted] if the arms embargo is lifted, the Turkish general staff probably will not restore the situation as it was. We would expect, for example, Ankara to call for US operation of the bases under Turkish administrative control.

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Negotiators for the Greek Cypriots and Turkish Cypriots yesterday began another round of negotiations in Vienna. The talks apparently will deal primarily with the powers of the central government in a proposed federation, and no breakthrough is likely. The Greek Cypriots, however, have apparently put aside their demands for a strong central government and will concentrate instead on the question of how much territory the Turks will give up.

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PORTUGAL

The government's worries outside Portugal are increasing. According to recent information, an estimated 25,000 demonstrators on Madeira, led by the Popular Democrats, last Sunday called for increased autonomy for the islands and a reversal of the leftist trend in Portugal. Popular Democrats in Madeira also stormed the headquarters of an extreme left-wing party, but military troops stepped in to prevent damage. Another pro-independence demonstration is being called for Sunday.

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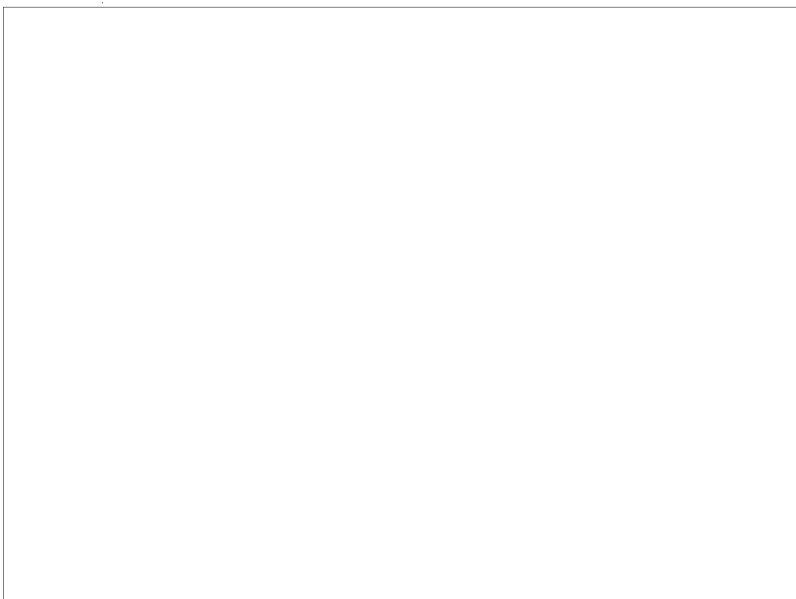
President Costa Gomes--before his departure for Helsinki last night--announced that a new cabinet had been formed. In Helsinki he said the composition of the cabinet will be announced Saturday. The delay in the presentation of the cabinet is indicative of the problems Prime Minister Goncalves has faced trying to come up with a government made up of more than just Communist sympathizers.

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ROMANIA

The timing of President Ford's visit to Romania--in Bucharest's view--could scarcely be better. It closely follows US Congressional action opening the way for most-favored-nation tariff status for Romania, and President Ceausescu apparently hopes President Ford's visit will boost his prestige.

Romania needs an economic shot in the arm. During President Ford's talks with him, Ceausescu surely will press for concessionary credits, agricultural aid, and other assistance to facilitate his country's recovery from recent devastating floods.

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Ceausescu is likely to stress the importance of a continued, active US involvement in European affairs in the post-CSCE summit period. With an eye to relations with the USSR, Romania has consistently described the summit as merely the first step in building a lasting peace in Europe.

Bucharest is unhappy with some aspects of the European security conference, such as its failure to provide for institutional follow-up to the summit, but Romanian commentaries are trying to put the best face on the meeting. In talking with President Ford, Ceausescu will emphasize economic non-discrimination and the prevention of the use of force to settle international disputes.

Ceausescu is pleased that Belgrade has been selected as the site of the 1977 meeting of senior government officials to review progress in implementing the European security agreement. The Romanians view the choice of the Yugoslav capital as focusing international attention on the Balkans and deterring Soviet meddling in the region.

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NOTES

Japan expects to conclude an economic assistance agreement this week with North Vietnam, clearing the way for an exchange of embassies. Diplomatic relations were established in 1973.

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